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SUBJECT: WHITLAM'S ARRIVAL IN THAILAND

1. AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM ARRIVED IN BANGKOK THE AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 31 FOR A FOUR DAY VISIT. THE PUBLIC, PRESS, AND STUDENTS ACCORDED A WARM AND FRIENDLY RECEPTION TO WHITLAM AND HIS PARTY IN CONTRAST WITH THE VISIT OF JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TANAKA IN EARLY JANUARY. WHITLAM'S PUBLIC STATEMENT AT THE AIRPORT AND AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE BANQUET IN HIS HONOR GOT A GOOD RECEPTION. SUBSTANTIVE TALKS WITH THE RTG WERE TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 1, AND A MEETING WITH THAI STUDENTS HAS BEEN SCHEDULED. WHITLAM WILL FLY TO CHIANG MAI FEBRUARY 2 FOR AN AUDIENCE WITH THE KING.

2. WHITLAM'S VISIT TO THAILAND IS OFF TO A GOOD START AND THE RTG MAY WELL HAVE INSURED THE STUDENTS GOOD BEHAVIOR. THERE ARE NO AREAS OF SERIOUS CONTENTION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, AND WE ANTICIPATE THE TRIP WILL PROVE A SUCCESS. THE EMBASSY WILL TRANSMIT A WRAP-UP FOLLOWING WHITLAM'S DEPARTURE FOR VIENTIANE.

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